

COMPETITIVE EVENT POLICIES

Districts are allowed two entries in each of the following events:

Accounting I	Economics
Accounting II	FBLA Principles & Procedures
Banking and Financial Systems	International Business
Business Calculations	Introduction to Business
Business Communication	Introduction to Business Communication
Business Law	Introduction to Parliamentary Procedure
Business Math	Marketing
Business Procedures	Networking Concepts
Computer Concepts	Technology Concepts

Districts are allowed one entry in each of the following events:

Business Plan Project	Ms. Future Business Leader
Business Ethics (team of 2-3 members)	Multimedia Presentation (1-3 members)
Computer Applications	Network Design (team of 2-3 members)
Desktop Publishing (team of 2 members)	Parliamentary Procedure (team of 5 & 1 alternate)
Emerging Business Issues (team of 2-3 members)	Public Speaking I
Entrepreneurship (team of 3 members)	Public Speaking II
Impromptu Speaking	Website Development (team of 1-3 members)
Job Interview	Word Processing I
Mr. Future Business Leader	Word Processing II

If a district does not submit an entry for Entrepreneurship or Parliamentary Procedure, that slot may be filled by the 2nd place team from another district. The slot will be filled based on the district written test score. If a 2nd place district team wishes to be considered for the slot, the local adviser or lead chapter adviser must submit the scored district written test answer sheets to the state adviser by March 27. The team with the highest combined written test score will fill the vacant entry slot.

Preliminary events are authorized for Parliamentary Procedure, Mr. and Ms. Future Business Leader, Job Interview, Public Speaking I & II, Emerging Business Issues, Entrepreneurship, and Impromptu Speaking. A written test will be used to determine seven finalists in Parliamentary Procedure and Entrepreneurship. The written test and a preliminary interview will determine the eight finalists in each of the Mr. and Ms. Future Business Leader events. Preliminary interviews will determine the eight finalists in Job Interview. Impromptu, Public Speaking I and II participants will be divided into groups of ten to give the preliminary speeches to determine the eight finalists. The even-numbered districts will form one preliminary group and the odd-numbered the other in the speaking, interview events, and Emerging Business Issues. The eight teams that rank the highest in the preliminary event for Emerging Business Issues will compete in the final event.

Local chapters are allowed one entry in each of the following events:

American Enterprise Project	Local Chapter Annual Business Report
Award of Merit to Local Chapters	Local Chapter Newsletter Award of Merit
Businessperson of the Year	Outstanding Service Award
Community Service Project	Partnership With Business Project
Largest Chapter Membership	Who's Who in FBLA

A participant may be enrolled and have received credit in a postsecondary class directly related to the event entered, so long as that student is/was eligible to be counted for state aid purposes at the home high school during that portion of the day in question.

Students who compete at a State Leadership Conference in a “higher level” event may not then compete in the associated “introductory level” event. This will apply specifically to the following event pairs: Accounting I/Accounting II, Business Math/Business Calculations, Introduction to Business Communication/Business Communication, Introduction to Parliamentary Procedure/Parliamentary Procedure, Public Speaking I/Public Speaking II, Word Processing I/Word Processing II.

An individual may enter only two events at the state conference and then only if the events are not in conflict according to the time schedule. Who’s Who in FBLA is not considered as one of the two events.

Written tests must be taken at the time given on the program. Emergency situations will be ruled upon by the state office. A member trying to participate in two events that are scheduled at the same time will not be an emergency, unless one of those events is a finalist event.

A schedule of competitive events will be sent to each chapter prior to the district conference. Individuals who win two events at a district conference will be able to tell whether a schedule conflict will exist if they enter two events at the state conference. If a conflict exists, the second-place winner could be notified at the district conference of his or her eligibility. This would allow the second-place winner equal time for preparation and fundraising.

Calculators may be used in all written events as appropriate; however, no graphing calculators, PDAs (i.e. Palm Pilots), phones, or other memory storage devices are allowed in any event. Competitors will not be allowed to bring calculators into the testing room. Calculators will be provided.

Voice recognition software may be used where appropriate in all skill event production tests. The local chapter must provide the software.

A numbering system will be used to identify the order in which written test papers are received. The first one turned in among those which are tied is the winner of the particular rank in question.

In the Mr. and Ms. Future Business Leader events and the Job Interview event, the letters of application and resumes with rating sheets will be sent to the judges two weeks before the opening day of the conference.

The Impromptu Speaking and Entrepreneurship events are closed to conference participants. Parliamentary team members who are scheduled to perform may not observe other parliamentary team performances. Advisers, members and guests who are from the same local school district may observe their team and subsequent performances.

No tape recorders will be allowed in the parliamentary procedure performance room.

A substitute for team events may be from the local chapter or from another team who participated in that event at the district conference.